

DECISION



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**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES**
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20548

FILE: B-208249

DATE: July 23, 1982

MATTER OF Putnam Mills Corporation

DIGEST:

A protest concerning the small business size status of a concern will not be considered by GAO since conclusive authority for size status determinations is vested in the Small Business Administration.

Putnam Mills Corporation protests the proposed award of a contract to H. Landau Co. under invitation for bids No. DLA 100-82-B-0797, a small business set-aside, issued by the Defense Logistics Agency. The solicitation is for oxford cloth. Putnam Mills essentially contends that H. Landau plans to secure dying and finishing services from a firm which is not a small business and that therefore H. Landau does not qualify as a small business concern with respect to this procurement. Putnam Mills has filed a protest to this effect with the Small Business Administration (SBA).

Under 15 U.S.C. § 637(b)(6) (1976), the SBA conclusively determines size status for Federal procurements. Therefore, our Office will not review questions concerning a bidder's small business size status. See Doyle Shirt Manufacturing Corp., B-205959, January 11, 1982, 82-1 CPD 28.

The protest is dismissed.

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